DTSC Issues Addendum to Summary of Violations Quemetco June 1, 2016

Today, June 1, 2016, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) issued an Addendum to a Summary of Violations (Addendum) to the Quemetco, Inc. battery recycling facility in the City of Industry over its failure to maintain an adequate groundwater monitoring system that complies with regulatory requirements.

DTSC issued a Statement of Violations to Quemetco on August 5, 2015. The violations in the Addendum are in addition to those found earlier.

The Addendum is based on a comprehensive evaluation by DTSC of the facility's groundwater monitoring system after the Department inspected the facility. The additional violations include:

- Failure to implement a groundwater detection monitoring program that complies with regulatory requirements
- Failure to implement a groundwater evaluation monitoring program that complies with regulatory requirements
- Failure to establish a surface water monitoring program that complies with regulatory requirements
- Failure to adequately maintain groundwater monitoring wells to enable collection of representative samples
- Failure to collect the data necessary to conduct required analyses on surface water and groundwater monitoring

Quemetco must now develop a revised groundwater monitoring plan that will effectively measure if operations at the facility result in any groundwater contamination. The Addendum sets out a compliance schedule for Quemetco to respond.

The August 5, 2015 Summary of Violations can be found here: